ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: 47-14

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

POSITION: DTRA PROGRAM COORDINATOR, FSN-8; FP-6*

(*Grade to be confirmed by Washington)

Grade listed is Full Performance Level. The successful candidate will be hired at a lower grade level (training level) should s/he not meet all position requirements.

OPENING DATE: July 28, 2014

CLOSING DATE: Close of business August 11, 2014

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hours/week

SALARY: Ordinarily Resident (OR): KZT 3,688,902 p.a. (Starting gross salary)

LENGTH OF HIRE: THIS IS A TEMPORARY POSITION.

The position duration is six months with the possibility of extension.

ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS (See Appendix A) MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in Astana is seeking an individual for the position of DTRA Program Coordinator in the Defense Threat Reduction Office.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION

With minimal supervision, the incumbent serves as a Program Coordinator for the Department of Defense (DoD) Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) in Kazakhstan. The primary purpose of the CTR program is to prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and the destruction of WMD-related support infrastructure in the countries created through the breakup of the former Soviet Union. Major program areas in Kazakhstan include Biological Threat Reduction Program (BTRP), WMD Proliferation Prevention Program (WMD-PPP), International Counter-Proliferation (ICP) Program, as well as coordination of all activities related to the Government to Government Communication Link (GGCL), Vienna Document 1999 implementation, the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty (INF), Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe and support to the Air Force Technical Applications Center (AFTAC).

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office. Contact HR phone: 70-23-23.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

- 1. College/University Degree with emphasis in foreign languages, international relations and/or management.
- 2. A minimum of five years of working in a bilingual Russian-English environment, including data research, analysis and reporting, translation and interpretation. Also, a minimum of five years of progressive work experience with the United States Government and/or the Government of Kazakhstan conducting program management activities.
- 3. Level IV (fluent) English* and Russian in order to perform interpreter/translator duties at high-level government meetings, seminars, conferences, etc. Extensive knowledge of Russian and English military, scientific, political, economic, and other technical terminology.
- 4. Incumbent must be able to familiarize him or herself with various subjects so as to render accurate, clear analysis that capture the meaning and intent of original documents and discussions. A strong grounding in

biological and nuclear terminology and knowledge of the Kazakhstani government and administrative practices are required. Familiarity with Government of Kazakhstan officials in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Education & Science, and other Government of Kazakhstan agencies is required. Knowledge of U.S. Government operations, procedures and policies is required. Computer proficiency and knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook are required.

5. Must be able to deal effectively with persons within and outside the U.S. Embassy and must demonstrate confidence and professionalism in order to gain cooperation. Diplomacy and tact in dealing with local officials and Embassy officers is required. Ability to assist Chief to organize, plan, and manage multiple projects is critical. Strong drafting skills in Russian and English are necessary. Must be able to conduct extensive research and analysis of the Kazakhstani national security, political and economic situation, and present their findings and interpretation of potential impact for DTRA programs to the Agency leadership.

*This will be tested.

SELECTION PROCESS

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
- 3. Current Ordinarily Resident employees with an Overall Summary Rating of Needs Improvement or Unsatisfactory on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
- 4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- 5. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
- 6. The candidate must be able to obtain and hold a security clearance.

TO APPLY

Interested candidates for this position must submit the following for consideration of the application:

- 1. Universal Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (DS-174); or
- 2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the <u>same information</u> found on the UAE (see *Appendix B*); **or**
- 3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1 -24 of the UAE along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; **plus**
- 4. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans preference must provide a copy of their Form DD-214 with their application. Candidates who claim conditional U.S. Veterans preference must submit documentation confirming eligibility for a conditional preference in hiring with their application.

5. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO

Human Resources Office #3 Rakhymzhan Koshkarbayev Ave. 010000 Astana, Kazakhstan

Tel: (7172) 70-23-23; Fax: (7172) 70-22-75; e-mail: astanahr@state.gov

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: Close of business August 11, 2014

The U.S. Mission in Kazakhstan provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

Appendix A DEFINITIONS

- 1. <u>Eligible Family Member (EFM):</u> An individual related to a U.S. Government employee in one of the following ways:
 - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>);
 - Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchildren and adopted children and those under legal guardianship of the employee or the spouse when such children are expected to be under such legal guardianship until they reach 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian;
 - Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support;
 - Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support.
- 2. <u>U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):</u> For purposes of receiving a preference in hiring for a qualified position, an EFM who meets the following criteria:
 - U.S. Citizen; and,
 - EFM (see above) at least 18 years old; and,
 - Listed on the travel orders of a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member assigned to or stationed abroad with a USG agency that is under COM authority, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and either:
 - 1. Resides at the sponsoring employee's or uniformed service member's post of assignment abroad or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; or
 - 2. Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2.

- 3. **Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):** EFM (see above) eligible for a Family Member Appointment for purposes of Mission employment:
 - Is a U.S. citizen; and
 - Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>) or a child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
 - Is listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126, Foreign Service Residence and Dependency Report, of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT), and who is under chief of mission authority; and
 - Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, office of the American Institute in Taiwan.
 - Does not receive a Foreign Service or Civil Service annuity
- 4. <u>Member of Household (MOH):</u> An individual who accompanies a direct-hire Foreign, Civil, or uniformed service member permanently assigned or stationed at a U.S. Foreign Service post or establishment abroad, or at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan. An MOH is:
 - Not an EFM; and,
 - Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and,
 - Has been officially declared by the sponsoring USG employee to the COM as part of his/her household.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

- 4. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR) An individual who:
 - Is <u>not</u> a citizen of the host country; and,
 - Does not ordinarily reside (*OR*, see below) in the host country; and,
 - Is not subject to host country employment and tax laws; and,
 - Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

- 5. **Ordinarily Resident (OR)** A Foreign National or U.S. citizen who:
 - Is locally resident; and,
 - Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and,
 - Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

Appendix B

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE.

Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade

- C. Vacancy Announcement Number (if known)
- D. Dates Available for Work
- E. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
- F. Current Address, Day, Evening, and Cell phone numbers
- G. U.S. Citizenship Status (*Yes or No*) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (Yes or No; if yes, provide number)
- H. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number
- I. Eligibility to work in the country (*Yes or No*)
- J. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation)
- K. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class / Type
- L. Days available to work
- M. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship, & Agency, Position, Location)
- N. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- O. Education
- P. License, Skills, Training, Membership, & Recognition
- Q. Language Skills
- R. Work Experience
- S. References